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## WORLD'S POPULATION.

### Growth of the Great Rival Countries.

A Blue-book has been issued giving vital  
statistics for the principal foreign countries  
for the ten years ended 1909. The figures  
relating to population are particularly inter-  
esting. They show the following total pop-  
ulations of the countries named, in 1909:—

Germany	63,879,000
France	39,276,000
Italy	34,270,000
Spain	19,948,000
Belgium	7,452,000
Netherlands	5,011,000
Portugal	5,346,000
Switzerland	3,584,000
Sweden	5,476,000
Denmark	2,692,000
Norway	3,870,000
Austria-Hungary (1908)	49,163,000
Russia (1908)	127,079,000
United Kingdom (June 30, 1909)	45,006,000

For some of the countries outside Europe  
the following figures are given:—

United States 88,569,000

Japan 49,905,000

Argentina 6,884,000

The populations of the world's great  
cities show some interesting comparisons  
with London, the figure for which at the  
last census (1901) was over 6,500,000:—

New York (1900)	3,437,000
Paris (1908)	2,783,000
Tokio (1908)	2,186,000
Berlin (1905)	2,040,000
Chicago (1900)	1,690,000
Vienna (1900)	1,675,000
Philadelphia (1900)	1,294,000
St. Petersburg (1897)	1,205,000
Osaka (1908)	1,227,000
Moscow (1897)	1,030,000
Buenos Ayres (1905)	1,028,000

Perhaps one of the most interesting  
features is a comparison of the respective  
growth of populations in the ten years 1898  
to 1908, which works out as follows:—

United Kingdom	4,186,000
Germany	8,574,000
France	5,220,000
Russia	28,014,000
United States	14,222,000
Japan	5,048,000
Austria-Hungary	4,084,000

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[MONDAY, 17th	S.S. KINSHAN	"	"
[TUESDAY, 18th	S.S. KINSHAN	"	"
[WEDNESDAY, 19th	S.S. KINSHAN	"	"
[THURSDAY, 20th	S.S. KINSHAN	"	"

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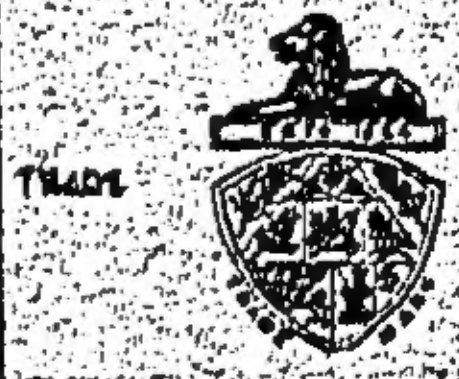
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HOUSES COLLAPSE IN

CANTON.

News from Canton states that there has

been a serious accident in Tuk Hing street

in the western suburbs. It appears that

one of the shops, was in such an unsta-

ble condition, that it was not able to

bear the strain of the weight upon its

walls. Some materials stored in the loft

happening to be heavier than usual, the

whole gave way. Naturally this interfered

with the adjacent shop, and so altogether

when the rubbish was cleared away it was

found that twelve persons were more or

less injured by the accident. The report

does not say if any lost their lives or not.

The accident occurred in the middle of the

night. The Canton people however, at

present have a fairly well organized Red

Cross Society, and apparently they are not

backward in calling in its assistance, which

is never denied when asked. In this case

workers from the Society were soon on the

spot, though it was night, and the wounds

of the suffering were cared for.

WIDOWS AND MARRIAGE

Fall in the Rate of Those Who

Remarry.

The Registrar-General's annual report of

births, deaths and marriages for 1909

contains some interesting details as to the

remarriage of widows and widowers. The

fall in the marriage rate has been greater

among widowers and widows than among

the unmarried of either sex, but the

apparent tendency among the widowed not

to remarry is probably overstated. The

number of widows is always much greater

than that of widowers, because, in the first

place, men marry later in life than

women; second, because the duration of

male life is shorter than that of female life;

and, third, because the proportion of

widows who remarry is much lower than

the proportion of widowers who remarry.

The number of divorced persons who

remarried in 1875-80 was equal to about 19

per cent. of the number divorced during

that period, whereas in 1909 the proportion

had risen to about 50 per cent. In the

year 1909, the proportion of those who at

the time of marriage were unable to sign

their names in the register, was 1.1 per

cent. in the case of bridegrooms and 1.3 in

the case of brides. Taking the country in

the aggregate, the proportion of illiterate

women has always been somewhat higher

than the proportion of illiterate men. The

case of London is exceptional. In the year

1909 the proportion of bridegrooms who

could not sign their names in the marriage

register was 1.0 per cent. and of brides 1.4

per cent. This proportion of illiteracy is

not, however, common to all parts of Lon-

don; it is practically confined to the group

of eastern registration districts, where a

large proportion of signatures by mark

occur in the marriage of foreign Jews. If

these districts be excluded, the proportion

of illiteracy in London will be reduced to

0.4 out of every 100 men and 0.6 out of

every 100 women who married.

In 1909 the births of males in England

and Wales numbered 466,400 and the births

of females 448,000; the male births were,

therefore, to the female births in the pro-

portion of 104.1 to 100. The proportion

of boys to girls at birth is lower in England

and Wales than in many European countries.

The births registered during the year



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THE Undersigned have received instructions from COMPTON BACKWELL, Harbour Master, to sell by Public Auction,

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Full Particulars and Inspecting Orders may be had from the Auctioneers.

TERMS: — As usual.

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Hongkong, March 29, 1911. 449

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

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**HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,**

Comprising: —  
Teak and Blackwood Hall Furniture, Drawing Room Suite, Curtains, Pictures, Blackwood Ware, a few pieces of Porcelain, &c., &c., Dining Room Suite, Plates, Cutlery, Glassware, &c., &c., Bedroom Furniture, Blankets, Linen, &c., &c., Pantry and Kitchen Utensils including a number of Brass Table Lamps;

A unique Collection of Old Chinese Weapons, One Broadwood Cottage Piano in good condition;

A large number of Assorted Plants, Ferns, &c., in Pots.

Catalogues will be issued. On View from 12.15 to 4 P.M.

TERMS: — As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, March 31, 1911. 458

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

THE Undersigned have received instructions from E.C. WILKS, who is giving up Housekeeping, to sell by Public Auction

**WEDNESDAY**

the 19th April, 1911, commencing at 2 P.M., at his residence 3, KIMBERLY VILLAS, Kowloon, —

THE WHOLE OF HIS

**HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,**

Comprising: —  
Hall Stands and Chairs, Pictures, Stair Carpets and Brass Rods, Sideboard, and Morocco, Covered Dining Room Suite by Lane Crawford, Extension Dining Table, Book Case and Writing Table with Drawers to Match, Drawing Room Suite by Powell & Co., Piano by John Broadwood, Axminster Carpet and Rugs, Etchings and Engravings, Black Wood Ware, Charming, and Ormolu Clocks, Brass and Bronze Ware, &c., Cutlery and Glass Ware, Electro Plate, Dinner and Breakfast Services, Bed Room Suite of Japanese Carved Cherry Wood;

Bed Room Suite in Carved Camphor, Wood, Wardrobes, &c., Brass and Iron Bedsteads, Carpets and Rugs, Fire Brasses and Fenders, American Ice Chest, Coal and Gas Stoves, Kitchen Gear, Solid Nickel, and Copper Cooking Utensils, a Special Tokio Built Rickshaw, Iron Safe, Plants in Pots, Tennis Net and Adjustable Poles, with Rackets, Lawn Roller, &c.

TERMS: — As usual.

Catalogues will be issued. On View from Monday, the 17th inst.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, April 4, 1911. 463

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

THE Undersigned have received instructions from J.F. BOULZOUX, Esq., to sell by Public Auction,

**THURSDAY,**

the 27th April, 1911, at 2.30 P.M., at his residence, FOREBANK EAST, —  
144 Magazine Gap.

THE WHOLE OF THE

**VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,**

Comprising: —  
Hall Furniture and Stands, Upholstered Drawing Room Suite, Curtains, Carpets, Blackwood Ware, Engravings and Pictures, Porcelains, Brass Ware, &c., &c., Bed Room Furniture, Linen, Blankets, &c., &c., Dining Room Suite, Plates, Cutlery, Glass Ware, &c., &c., Kitchen and Pantry Utensils;

And  
A number of Pots of Plants, &c., &c.

One Lady's Carrying Chair.

On View from the 26th proximo. Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS: — As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, March 10, 1911. 501



Mr. JOHN BARTON (from photograph).

## HALE AND HEARTY AT 89

An Centenarian's Record: Cured of Rheumatism and Doubtful of Advanced Age by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Quite an interesting character is Mr. John Barton, who lives in the hamlet of Weston Colville, Cambridgeshire, England. Such an address is sufficient to find him, because he is so well-known. Mr. Barton is just upon ninety years of age, and his splendid health, activity and keen mental faculties are quickly appreciated by everyone who has conversed with him.

In a chat with a reporter of the Cambridge Times Mr. Barton mentioned that he ascribed his remarkably good health and strong vitality to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

ILL FOR A YEAR.

Explaining the circumstances to the reporter, he said: "I was taken with a very bad attack of Rheumatism about fifteen years ago. My sufferings lasted fully a year.

"At first my appetite left me, also it became painful to drink anything. Later, sharp, shooting pains attacked my legs, and my joints began to swell. I rubbed my limbs with oil and liniments, but before long Rheumatism struck me all of a heap. I was helpless, and all the time gnawing with pain. Soon it was impossible for me to walk without assistance, and getting up and down stairs was a painful job. I could not even dress myself. Soaching Rheumatism spread through almost every muscle in my body, and every movement made me wince.

"All my strength left me, and I became as helpless as a baby.

HIS NERVES BROKE DOWN.

"I took dozens of different medicines. But the Rheumatism became so acute that I could not bear to stand on my feet. The agony in my legs and elbows was cruel, and I was troubled with fearful backaches. Under these sufferings I broke up rapidly, and began to fear that it was a case of 'soon' being all over with John Barton.

"I could not sleep at nights. The Rheumatism really seemed worse, and pains kept shooting from one limb to another.

"Eventually I had to take to my bed, and when I was moved for the bed to be made it caused my fearful agony; my poor wife was worn out attending on me.

HIS CHILDREN'S COUNSEL.

"But one day one of my children wrote asking me if I had tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I decided that I would give the Pills a trial. After taking four or five bottles of the Pills the Rheumatism began to get easier and I felt brighter and more hopeful. In time my appetite improved, and I was able to get better rest at nights.

"As I continued taking the Pills my nerves became steadier, and I could move my limbs without any pains torturing me. As time went on I was able to leave my bed and stand on my feet. By and by I ventured to walk without assistance.

"After taking further supplies of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills all the aches and pains disappeared from my joints. I had a good appetite, could enjoy my food, and it nourished me. My nerves were perfectly steady, and all the Rheumatism went from my limbs and back. I was soon able to get about as well as ever, and never had any return of the Rheumatism or weakness.

"I am eighty-nine years of age come next December, and I regard the health of the China Office or the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 84, Sechen Road, Shanghai. As worthless substitutes are offered at some shops, always ask distinctly for

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills make the New Good Blood needed by young and old of both sexes, in all disorders that arise from debilitated or impure blood. These Pills have also cured Anemia, Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Liver Disorder, Eczema, Rheumatism, Scindia, Malaria, Beri-Beri, Nervous Disorders dreaded by men, and women's aches and ills. Of dealers, or post free, 1 bottle for \$1.50, 6 bottles for \$8 from the China Office or the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 84, Sechen Road, Shanghai. As worthless substitutes are offered at some shops, always ask distinctly for

## DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS.

### Auctions.

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

**SATURDAY,**

the 8th April, 1911, at 11 A.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 3, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, —

A QUANTITY OF

**VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,**

Comprising: —  
One Dining Room Suite and One Bed Room Suite by Lane Crawford & Co. and Powell, Ltd., and Sundry Glass and Plated Ware of good quality;

A few pieces of Grass Cloth and Drawn Thread Ware of superior quality.

TERMS: — As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, April 6, 1911. 491

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from CAPTAIN LIDDELL, to sell by Public Auction,

**MONDAY,**

the 10th April, 1911, at 2.30 P.M., at No. 3, LOCKHART TERRACE, CAMBERG ROAD, KOWLOON, —

THE WHOLE OF THE

**VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,**

Including Electric Chandeliers, &c., &c.

A Number of Assorted Plants, &c., in Pots, one Lady's Bicycle;

And  
A Number of Carpets.

Catalogues will be issued. On View from 9 A.M.

TERMS: — As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, March 31, 1911. 490

### Auctions.

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

**SATURDAY,**

the 8th April, 1911, at 11 A.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 3, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, —

A FEW VALUABLE PEARLS.

And  
1 ROSE DIAMOND AND PLATINUM NECKLACE.

TERMS: — As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, April 6, 1911. 494

#### NOTICE.

MR. LI HON FAN, a Chinese graduate versed in literature, has been a teacher to European officials and merchants in this Colony for over ten years.

He has a good method of training Europeans to pass in the Chinese examination, and is possessed of a first rate certificate as a Chinese teacher. He has also a good knowledge of Mandarin.

Those who intend learning the Chinese language are requested to write, care of China Mail office or direct to 37, Hollywood Road, 1st floor.

Hongkong, December 24, 1910. 1553

## ON WO & CO., LD.

### GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY.

MADE TO ORDER.

SILK Goods, Chinese Embroidery and Grass Cloth, Silk and Linen Dress Pieces, Ivory and

Adelstone Carves.

37, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL.

Hongkong, January 19, 1911. 9

### QUALITY A INDIAN GAUZE VESTS, HALF SLEEVES

Made From Fine Yarns, Light and Cool in Wear. The Highest Value At The Price.

Chest	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50
Price	\$3.00	3.70	4.00	4.50	5.00	5.50	6.00	6.50	7.00	7.50

### QUALITY B.V. INDIAN GAUZE VESTS, 1 SLEEVES

Slightly Heavier Quality Than Above and with Ventilated Arm Pits.

Chest	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50
Price	\$10.50	11.00	11.50	12.00	12.50	13.00	13.50	14.00	14.50	15.00

### QUALITY C INDIAN GAUZE VESTS, 1 SLEEVES

Made from Stout Long Staple Egyptian Yarns.

Chest	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50
Price	\$12.00	13.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	18.00	19.00	20.00	21.00

### FLEXINET UNDERVESTS WITH 1 SLEEVES

Soft Porous Garments In A High Grade Quality

Chest	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50
Price	1.85	1.95	2.00	2.15	2.25	2.35	2.45	2.55	2.65	2.75

### COMPANY REPORTS.

#### China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.

The report for the year 1910 is as follows: —

The Board has now to lay before the Shareholders a balance sheet containing a summary of the property and liabilities of the Company on the 31st December 1910 and a statement of accounts of the same date.

1909 Account.—After payment of the interim dividend of \$3 per share and the bonus of 20 per cent. to contributors passed at the last annual meeting there remains a balance of \$430,140.07 as per annexed statement.

The Board recommends that this sum be appropriated as follows: —

A final dividend to shareholders of \$4 per share on 24,000 shares ... .. \$ 96,000.00

An addition to Reinsurance Fund of £14,000 at exchange 1/10y ... .. 108,761.17

To be carried forward to Undersigned Suspense account to close the account for the year 1909 ... .. 225,368.20

\$430,140.07

1910 Account.—The balance of Working Account on the 31st December 1910 was \$1,198,915.44 as per annexed statement.

The Board recommends that an interim dividend of \$4 per share be paid to shareholders, absorbing \$96,000 and that a bonus of 20 per cent be paid to contributors, absorbing about \$250,000.00, and that the remainder be carried forward.

Since the last General Meeting Mr J. W. Bando has resigned his seat on leaving the Colony and Mr G. Frieland of Messrs Melchers & Co has joined the Board.

In accordance with Clause 79 of the Articles of Association Mr E. A. Sieb and Mr G. Balloch retire but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors: — Messrs H. U. Jeffries and A. R. Lowe retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.

The 47th report of the Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd., says that the profit on working account for the year 1910 amounted to Tls. 779,963.59, an increase of Tls. 30,083.07, as compared with the preceding year. The net profit for the year, after appropriating the sum of Tls. 1,605.71 premium received on sale of debentures amounted to Tls. 259,557.07, an increase as compared with 1909, of Tls. 15,407.47. The balance sheet credit of profit and loss account, after crediting the account with Tls. 4,709.25, carried forward after appropriation of the profits for 1909, and deducting the sum of Tls. 3,960.77, bonus paid to the foreign staff as authorized at the last annual meeting, and the amount Tls. 72,000.00, for interim dividend at the rate of 6 per cent, paid on 28th July last, amounts to Tls. 179,303.55, of which sum the Directors recommend appropriation as follows: —

To pay a final dividend for the year 1910 on 24,000 shares @ 7 per cent (making 12 per cent for the year) Tls. 8.80 per share, Tls. 84,000.00) to write off for depreciation of land and buildings Tls. 6,814.50) to write off for depreciation of manufacturing

and distributing plant Tls. 75,508.07) to write off for depreciation of furniture Tls. 1,869.65) Tls. 84,169.22; to carry forward to new account Tls. 11,116.33; making total Tls. 179,303.55.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.

The report for presentation to the shareholders at the thirty-eighth ordinary meeting to be held at the Society's office, at noon, on Wednesday, the 26th April, says: —

The Board has now to lay before the shareholders a balance sheet containing a summary of the property and liabilities of the Society on the 31st December, 1910, and a statement of accounts to the same date.

1909 Account.—After payment of the interim dividend of \$ 0 per share and the bonus of 20 per cent to contributors passed at the last annual meeting there remains a balance of \$837,782.87 as per annexed statement.

The Board recommends that this sum be appropriated as follows: —

A final dividend to shareholders of \$20 per share on 12,400 shares ... .. \$248,000.00

An addition to the sterling reserve fund of £10,000 @ exchange 1/10y ... .. 108,761.17

To be carried forward to Undersigned suspense account to close the account for the year 1909 ... .. 481,001.00

\$837,782.87

1910 Account.—The balance of working account on the 31st December 1910 was \$2,688,901.82 as per annexed statement.

The Board recommends that an interim dividend of \$30 per share be paid to shareholders, absorbing \$372,000.00, and that a bonus of 20 per cent be paid to contributors, absorbing about \$250,000.00, and that the remainder be carried forward.

Directors: — Since the last general meeting Mr J. W. Bando has resigned his seat and Mr G. Frieland of Messrs Melchers & Co has joined the Board.

In accordance with clause 80 of the articles of association Mr H. A. Sieb and Mr G. Balloch retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors: — Messrs W. Hutton Potts and A. R. Lowe retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

NOTICE.

WE HAVE This Day Authorized Mr FRANK ESROM to Sign our Firm's name for Procurement.

SCHULTZ & CO.

H'kong & Canton, April 1, 1911. 498

NOTICE.

WE hereby beg to intimate that we have been appointed AGENTS IN HONGKONG FOR THE AMERICAN AND MASCOT LINE OF STEAMERS from Hongkong to New York & Boston.

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, April 6, 1911. 485

NOTICE.

WE have This Day admitted Mr MALCOLM HUNTER LOGAN as a PARTNER in our Firm.

PALMER & TURNER.

Hongkong, April 1, 1911. 470

STEAM LAUNDRY CO.,

YAU M A T I.

ESTABLISHED 1899.

THE only successful Steam Laundry in the Far East. THE ONLY LAUNDRY DRY IN THE COLONY UNDER EUROPEAN SUPERVISION.

Filtered Water. Regular Delivery. Flannels and underwear washed by skilled Japanese.



# HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Thursday, April 6th, 1911.  
At 100 cents per Dollar American.

Butcher Meat.	
Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut—Mei Lung Pa	lb 20
Comed—Ham Ngau Yuk	22
Roast—Shiu	22
Breast—Ngau Lam	15
Soup—Tong Yuk	20
Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	20
Sirloin Coton—Ngau Lam	30
Sausages—Ngau Chung	20
Dullock's Brains—Know	per set 0
Tongue fresh—Ngau Li	each 60
Comed—Ham Ngau Li	60
Head—Ngau Tau	85
Heart—Chu Sum	lb 12
Hump, Salt—Ngau Kim	18
Feet—Ngau Kark	each 8
Kidneys—Ngau Yiu	19
Thail—Ngau Mei	18
Liver—Ngau Kon	12
Trips (undressed)—Ngau To	6
Calve Head & Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-kark	set 81
Mutton Chop—Young Poi Kwat	lb 22
Leg—Young Poi	22
Shoulder—Young Shau	20
igs Chitlings—Chu Chong	22
Brains—Chu Kow	per set 24
Fry—Chu Chak	25
Head—Chu Tau	15
Heart—Chu Sum	each 13
Kidneys—Chu Yiu	9
Liver—Chu Con	10
Pork Chop—Chu Pai Kwat	20
Comed—Ham Chu Yuk	22
Leg—Chu Pei	24
Fat of Lord—Chu Yau	15
Head and Feet—Young Tau Kark	set 6
Heart—Young Sum	each 6
Kidneys—Young Yiu	9
Liver—Young Con	10
Sucking Pigs To Order—Chu Chai	22
Suet, Beef—Sung Ngau Yau	20
Mutton—Sung Young Yau	22
Vul—Ngau Chai Yau	20
Sausages—Ngau Chai Chung	20

Poultry.	
Chicken—Kai Chai	lb 32
Capon, Large, Small—Sin Kai	30
Ducks—Ap	24
Doves—Fan Kau	each
Eggs—Hui Kai Tan	per doz 24
Fowls, Canton—Kai	lb 35
Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	33
Guesi—Ngi	33
Guesi, Wild Shai—Shang-hoi Yea Ngi	pair
Musk Deer—Wong Keng	each
Hare, Shanghai—To Chai	1
Partridge—Chu Khoo	1
Phasian—Shan Kai	pair
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kip	each 38
Hohov—Hoi How Pak Kip	30
Quail—Um Chun	22
Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheuk	dozen
Ships—Sa Choy	24
Turkeys, Cock—Phor Kai Kung	60
Hon	Na
Wild Ducks, Shai—Shang hoi Sui Ap	pair
Ical—Sui Ap Chai	75
Wild Ducks Canton—Sung Shing Sui Ap	81.10

Fish.	
Barbel—Ku Yu	lb 10
Bream—Bin Yu	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	15
Carp—Li Yu	18
Catfish—Chik Yu	17
Codfish—Mun Yu	16
Crabs—Hoi	18
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu	14
Dab—Su Shing Yu	15
Dace—Wong Mei Lun	12
og Epl—Tie Tu Sa	9
Eels, Congor—Hoi Mann	17
Fresh water—Tun Shu Yu	16
Eels, Yellow—Wong Sin	28
Frog—Tien Kai	32
Jaroupa—Sek Pan	66
Gudgion—Pak Kip Yu	12
Herrings—Tao Pak	18
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Kip	28
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu	16
Loach—Wu Yu	28
Loachers—Lung Ha	20
Mackerel—Chi Yu	24
Munk Fish—Mong Yu	32
Mullet—Chai Yu	24
Oysters—Sung Hoo	20
Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu	10
Perch—Tan Leo	15
Pike—Fa Faw Fong	8
Plaice—Pan Yu	18
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong	24
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong	28
Prawn—Ming He	48
Ray—Fai Pa Sa	9
Rock Fish—Sek Ka Kung	10
Roach—Chun Yu	10

Meat.	
Salmon—Ma Yeh Yu	lb 24
Shark—Sa Yu	9
Skate—Po Yu	9
Shrimps—Ha	24
Snapper—Lap Yu	20
Soles—Tat Sa Yu	24
Tench—Wan Yu	18
Turbot—Cho How Yu	20
Turtles, small, fresh water—Kork Yu	56
White Bait—Ngau Yu Chai	—
Fruits.	
Almonds—Hung Yan	lb 25
Apples (California)—Kam San Ping Kho	25
(Chefoo)—Tin Chup Ping Kho	15
Small—Hoi Tong	—
Custard—Fan Lai Chi	each
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—San Shing	lb 3
Bananas, (Ordin), Macao—San Heng Chiu	4
Chestnuts, Chinese—Fong Lut	12
Carambola—Young Tue	—
Cocconuts—Yeh Tau	each 10
Lemons, China—Ning Moong	0
America—Kum San Ning Moon	7
Lichees Dried—Lai Chi, Small Stone	lb 20
Fresh—	—
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong	each
Mango, Manih—Lui Sung Moong	15
Mangosteens—San Chuk Tso	doz
Oranges, (Canton)—San-shing Tim Ching	lb 6
Orange Scent	14
Louis (American)—Kam San Shing Yu	—
(Canton), Cooking—Sa Lay	10
Peanuts—Fa Sang	10
Persimmons Large—Hung Chio	7
Pine-apples, Ist quality—Poon Ti Paw Law	each 10
2nd—Chung-tang Paw Law	—
Plantain—Tat Chou	lb 3
Plums—Swatow, Hung Lai	—
Potato, Siam—Chim Lo Yau	each 22
Shanghai—Lo Kwat	—
Walnuts—Hop Tuo	lb 15
Green—Sung Hoo Tuo	—
Water Melon—(Am.) Kom San Sai Kwa	each
(China) Sai Kwa	—
Gripes—Sung Po Tai Tso	lb 15
Vegetables &c.	
Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheung-hoi, Ah	lb 6
Chai Chouk	—
Beans, (French), Macao—Oh Moon Pin Tau	lb 6
(French), Shanghai—Sheung Hoi	Pin Tau
Sprout—Ali Chai	2
Long—Tau Ko	—
Best Root—Hung Chai Tan	each 2
Briajals, Green—Ching Yuan	5
Red—Hung Ker	5
Cabbage, Chinese, com—Kai Choy	6
Cabbage Red—Hung Yea Choy	5
Cabbage, Shanghai—Yeh Chai	6
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Shun	lb 8
Caullflower, Large size—Tai Yeh Cho Fa	each
Medium size—Cheung Yeh Cho Fa	—
Small size—Sai Yeh Cho Fa	—
Carrots—Kam Shun	lb 6
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kan Choi	7
Chillies Dried—Gon Lai Chiu	15
Red—Hung Far	12
Green—Ching Lai Chiu	10
Curry Stuff, English—Kai Leo Chu Lit	3
Cucumbers—Ching Kwa	3
Bitter Squash—Fu Kwa	6
Garlic—Que Tau	0
Ginger, young—Sun Tse Keung	5
old—Lo Keung	5
Horse Radish, Shai—Luk Kan	12
Indian Corn—Suk Mai	each
Lettuce—Young Sang Choi	1
Water Cress—Ma Tai	lb 5
Mandarin—Kwai Lum Mei Tai	—
Mushrooms, Fresh—Sung Cho Koo	—
Musk Melon, Amer—Kam-san Hong Kwa	each
Okraes	—
Onions, Bombay—Young Chong Tau	8
Green—Sung Chong	5
Shanghai—Shang-hoi Chong Tau	—
Papaw, Ist qual—Tai Man Sui Kua	each
2nd—Chong	—
Parsley—Kun Cho	6
Great Peas—Ching Tai	8
Potatoes, Sweet—Fan Shu	3
Shanghai—Shang-hoi Shu Tai	—
Japan—Yut Poon Shu Tai	—
American—Fa Ki	—
Foodchow—Fook-chow Shu Tai	—
Pumpkin—Tong Kwa	3
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tai	—
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tai Wong	—
Sage—Tao So	—
Shallots—Gon Chung Tau	7
Spinach—Yin Choi	4
Tomatoes—Fan Ker	6
Taro—Wu Tau	5
Turpins, Punt, (Long)—Lo Pak	7
English—Young Lo Pak	3
Vegetable Marrow—Chit Kwa	—
(Am.)—Kam-san Chit Kwa	—
Water Cress—Bai Young Choi	5
Lily root—Lin Ngu	2
Yama—Ta Shu	2

## SUEZ CANAL DUES.

It was publicly stated the other day that the steamship fleet controlled by Sir John Ellerman pay over \$300,000 a year in Suez Canal dues. With reference to these charges the Liverpool Steamship Owners' Association—unusually interesting figures for consideration. It points out that the country received last year in dividends on its Suez Canal shares a sum of \$1,056,207, and that it has now obtained \$10,000,000 of income from its original investment of \$4,000,000 thirty-five years ago. "This extraordinary return," says the report, "has been obtained from dues which exceed by 100 per cent the cost of working the Canal. These dues are as to 50 per cent, collected from British ships, and therefore, although the whole of the million received by this country is treated as dividend, it is derived as to 50 per cent, from a most onerous tax levied on our trade with the East."

When the matter is looked at in that way, the case for the shipowner is easily understood. There seems an idea that the subject will be raised at the approaching Imperial Conference. The occasion would be singularly appropriate, since Australia is peculiarly interested in the question. India, however, is not a little keenly concerned. The ideal condition, of course, would be a toll-free waterway, but at present it seems wholly impossible of attainment.

## COST OF CIVIL SERVICES.

Articles to Secure Old Age Pensions.

The appropriation accounts of the Civil Service and the revenue departments for the year ended March 31 last, published as a parliamentary return, show that the total net expenditure of nearly £62,000,000 was made up mainly of the following items:—  
Public works and buildings £2,963,681  
Civil salaries and expenses 3,038,518  
Law and justice 4,018,588  
Education, science, and art 17,068,719  
Foreign and Colonial services 1,010,752  
Non-effective and charitable services 9,424,594  
Revenue departments 22,047,163  
Upon the royal palaces £60,000 was spent, upon Parliament buildings £54,000, and in rates on Government property £207,000. Other items include secret service charges, £47,000; Metropolitan police, £2,780,791; diplomatic and consular services, £608,000; and Government hospital, £10,000.  
The "non-effective" and charitable services referred to above include old age pensions, on which the net expenditure in the year was £8,542,673, which was about £200,000 short of the net supply grant. The number of claims allowed in the United Kingdom by the pension authorities during the year was about 105,000, of which rather more than 25 per cent. were examined at headquarters. No instance was brought to light in which a pension had been awarded to an alien or to the British-born widow of a foreigner. In the course of the local audit in England and Wales there came under observation cases in which holders of farms had apparently divested themselves of their tenancies in order to qualify for an old age pension.  
A woman, for instance, held a farm of 40 acres, which she had worked for years with the help of a son and daughter. She applied for a pension, which was refused on the ground of income. She then transferred the tenancy of the holding to the son and made a fresh application. She was granted a pension of 6s. her principal source of income being fixed at the value of her board and lodging at the farm. In another case two brothers in partnership farmed 100 acres. The elder applied for a pension in November, 1908, which was refused on the ground that his income was in excess of the statutory limit. He made over his interest in the farm to his brother and renewed his application, with the result that he has been granted a pension of 6s. a week. Five cases were observed in the course of the audit in England and Wales in which pensions had been refused on the ground of habitual failure to work.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

### NOTICE.

Communications relating to news should be addressed to THE EDITOR.  
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Antenor, leaves Liverpool, April 8.

Antiochus, Hobo, March 29.

Anubis, Shanghai, April 15.

Aquila, Hongkong, March 13.

Atrius, left Liverpool, March 18.

Bellerophon, Yokohama, April 7.

Bangkok, Hongkong, April 2.

Chenou, leaves Shanghai, April 6.

Changsha, left Hongkong, March 22.

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## "THE PROTEUS OF DISEASE"

## Indigestion's Innumerable Forms.

Of all the disorders to which humanity is heir, indigestion is undoubtedly the most frequent. Its symptoms are endless in their variety and its cause is scarcely less numerous.

Whatever the cause, the greatest care has undoubtedly to be exercised in the question of food, so as to give the digestive organs the opportunity to rest and regain their strength and tone.

Such a food must put the minimum tax on the stomach, it must be digested with the minimum expenditure of the energy by the nervous system, and must be readily assimilated to make actual flesh and blood.

Of all the preparations known to medical science, not one possesses these qualities in so great a degree as Santogen, which consists of the albumin of milk chemically combined with glycerophosphate of sodium.

The value of Santogen in cases of Dyspepsia is abundantly proved by many articles in the leading medical journals from one of which, the *General Practitioner*, May 20th, 1905, the following case is quoted:—H. G., aged 34 years. I saw him on March 10th; he was suffering from marked dyspepsia, loss of appetite, and had lost 104 lbs. in weight during his two months' absence. No physical signs could be found in his lungs. He was ordered two teaspoonfuls of Santogen three times daily, and ordinary diet. As the end of a week his indigestion had entirely gone, his appetite was normal, and he had already increased 25 lbs. in weight.

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## INCREASING CRIME.

## Drastic Proposals from Belgium.

M. Raphael Simons, Public Prosecutor in Brussels, has started the country somewhat with proposals for amending the administration of the criminal law. M. Simons, after showing that crime is almost everywhere on the increase, denounces as the cause of its progress the modern and ultra-sentimental idea of the mental irresponsibility of many criminals, who are acquitted, pardoned, or sentenced to insignificant penalties, on the pretext that they are not of sound mind or other like causes. He expresses the view that the whole foundation of penal laws should be reversed, and be based henceforth, not on the individual interests of the criminal, but on the collective interests of social self-defence against crime, whether such crime be voluntary or not.

Further, Mr. Simons would have judges decide simply whether prisoners are or are not guilty of the offences charged against them, and, in case of guilt, sentence them to imprisonment whether they are sane or not. Medical men would then be invited to make a close examination of the prisoner's mental condition. It would depend on the result of such an examination whether the prisoner would be sent to jail or in a lunatic asylum.

At the same time, M. Simons, and the "school of practical men" for whom he speaks, would reintroduce the penalty of "capital exclusion" from society—i.e., capital punishment—for all cases of murder. As he foresees that it might be difficult to induce sensitive jurymen to return a verdict of guilty in all such cases, he would abolish trial by jury, except for purely civil actions, and he would likewise do away with the King's right of pardon.

In addition, he would increase the citizen's right of self-defence to the extent of allowing a would-be murderer to be killed at sight by his intended victim.

It is, of course, expected that this new theory of criminal law will be attacked and violently opposed by the older school of jurists. It is ample testimony, however, to the growing anxiety which is being awakened by the increase of crime and the present humanitarian tendency towards excessive leniency.

That these new ideas should spring up in Belgium, where capital punishment has been abolished for more than half a century and where the penal laws have as a whole been greatly modified in favour of leniency during the last twenty-five years, is also very significant. M. Simons, it should be added in conclusion, confidently looks forward to the gradual adoption of his views, "despite the opposition of sentimentalists."

OLD AGE PENSIONS IN GERMANY.

Intimical to Thrift.

We read in the *Standard* that Privy Councillor Friedensburg, who formerly held a high post in the Imperial State Insurance Department, condenses in sweeping terms the entire system of old age, accident, and sick pensions which exists in Germany. His article will appear in the *Zeitschrift für Politik*.

Herr Friedensburg declares that there is no longer any traces of the enthusiasm with which this class of legislation was greeted on its inauguration some thirty years ago. This is due partly to the colossal financial burdens which have been heaped on the nation by the readiness with which expenditures were incurred at the beginning, and partly owing to the complete breakdown of the pension system as a means of alleviating the hardships of the deserving poor. State pensions in Germany, instead of educating the masses in thrift by inducing them to take part in some provision for their old age or invalidity, have exercised by maladministration, the writer declares, a wholesale pauperizing influence on the nation. Many receive pensions without deserving them; many more receive compensation for accidents which are entirely unconnected with their factories or workshops; many deserving state pensions simulate invalidity in order to obtain them with the result that the national exchequer is burdened with enormous but unjustified charges. Herr Friedensburg's elaborate treatise is of importance to sociologists in all countries.

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## His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Commander.	Last report at.
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	12	2000	Comdr. Lowndes	Hongkong
Astrea	cruiser, 2nd class	4300	10	7000	Captain E. B. Kiddle	Shanghai
Atlas	Admiralty tug	—	—	—	Master W. Wess	Hongkong
Bramble	river gunboat	710	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. B. G. Washington	Shanghai
Britonart	river gunboat	710	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. E. H. Donovan	Shanghai
Cadmus	sloop	1070	6	1400	Comdr. H. Lyne	Shanghai
Clio	water tank and tug	390	—	300	Master H. Smith	Hongkong
Fame	sloop	1070	6	1400	Comdr. H. R. Vane	Shanghai
Flora	torpedo boat destroyer	380	6	5700	—	Hongkong
Flora	cruiser, 2nd class	4300	10	7000	Capt. J. Nicholas	Manila
Flora	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lt.-Comdr. R. J. D. Guy, V.C.	Hongkong
Flora	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lt.-Comdr. M. Monroe	Hongkong
Flora	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lt.-Comdr. Heathcote	Hongkong
Flora	cruiser, 1st class	9000	14	22,000	Capt. S. St. John Farquhar	on route San Francisco
Flora	river gunboat	616	4	1200	Lt.-Comdr. T. J. S. Lyne	Yangtze
Flora	sloop	1040	—	—	Capt. F. C. Lenthorn	Hongkong
Flora	cruiser, 1st class	14,000	—	27,000	Capt. Cayley	Hongkong
Flora	cruiser, 1st class	9800	—	—	Capt. L. E. Power	Singapore
Flora	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. G. P. Leith	West River
Flora	cruiser, 2nd class	4800	—	—	Capt. G. E. P. Hunt, D.S.O.	Hongkong
Flora	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. C. H. Woodward	Yangtze
Flora	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6300	Comdr. C. L. Lamb	Hongkong
Flora	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. C. A. O. Douglas	West River
Flora	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. E. J. J. Southby	West River
Flora	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. J. M. Barker	Yangtze
Flora	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6300	Gunner E. J. Trillo	Hongkong
Flora	receiving ship	4600	6	—	Commodore C. J. Byres	Hongkong
Flora	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. R. J. Buchanan	Yangtze
Flora	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Comdr. M. B. Hamilton	Shanghai
Flora	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6300	Lt.-Comdr. H. D. Adair-Hall	Hongkong
Flora	surveying ship	629	—	450	Lt.-Comdr. H. H. Hancock	Hongkong
Flora	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5900	Lt.-Comdr. G. B. Hartford	Hongkong
Flora	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lt.-Comdr. R. B. B. B. B.	Upper Yangtze
Flora	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lt.-Comdr. M. H. Wilding	Upper Yangtze
Flora	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lt.-Comdr. G. F. A. Mulock	Upper Yangtze

\* Flagship of Vice-Admiral Alfred L. Winsloe, R.C.B., C.V.O., C.M.G., Commander-in-Chief.

## Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	Last report at.
Kaiser Franz Joseph I	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	—	—	Capt. Alfred Cicol	Amoy
Achéron	French armoured cruiser	1830	10	1700	Lieut. Bertrand	Saigon
Alger	French cruiser	3420	22	5100	Capt. Delons	Saigon
Alouette	French gunboat	506	7	400	Commander Badier	Saigon
Argus	French river gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. d'Estienne	Canton
Caradoc	French gunboat	150	—	—	—	Saigon (Reserve)
Comete	French gunboat	900	6	900	Comdr. J. Gervais	Saigon
Décidé	French gunboat	645	10	1000	Lieut. de Linares	Saigon
Dupetit-Thouars †	French armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000	—	Saigon
Estoc	French gunboat	141	—	—	—	Saigon (Reserve)
Esturgeon	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Combet	Saigon
Fronde	French destroyer	350	7	303	—	Saigon
Henri Riviere	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	Haiphong
Jacquin	French gunboat	203	6	308	—	Haiphong (Reserve)
Lion	French gunboat	500	—	—	—	Saigon (Reserve)
Lynx	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Morris	Saigon
Manche	French surveying-ship	1625	10	9000	Comdr. Ragot de Touche	Saigon
Montcalm*	French cruiser	9700	12	19,600	Capt. Cherou	Saigon
Mousquet	French destroyer	307	6	300	Lieut. de la Roche Komandron	Saigon
Oly	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. de Maindreville	Upper Yangtze
Peiho	French gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Fuesh	Tongku
Pistolet	French torpedo boat	130	7	300	Comdr. Mortenol	Hongy
Protes	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Morris	Saigon
Redoutable	French battleship (reserve)	9437	8	6071	Capt. Drouet	Saigon
Styx	French gunboat	1738	10	1700	Lieut. Seriot	Saigon
Taklong	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	Yangtze
Takou	French destroyer	250	6	—	—	Saigon (Reserve)
Vauban	French torpedo-depot	—	—	—	—	Hongy
Veteran	French torpedo-depot	—	—	—	Lieut. Bihel	Cap St. Jacques
Vigilante	French gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. Biscall	Canton
Enden	German cruiser	3600	22	13,500	Capt. Vollerthun	Tsingtau
Gaesebau	German cruiser	11,900	—	—	Captain Ullar	Amoy
Ilia	German gunboat	900	12	1300	Comdr. Merxmann	Shanghai
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	12	1300	Capt. Myring	Shanghai
Leipzig	German cruiser	3250	24	11,000	Capt. Schroeder	Tsingtau
Luchs	German gunboat	900	10	1350	Comdr. Bendemann	Hongkong
Nürnberg	German cruiser	3400	22	13,200	Capt. Tagert	Ponape
Otter	German river gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Jantzen	Yangtze Riv
Scharnhorst	German flagship	11,600	36	26,000	Capt. Kraft	Amoy
S. 90	German torpedo-boat	400	8	6500	Capt. Lieut. Heyden	Shanghai
Taku	German torpedo-boat	280	4	6000	Lieut. Koble	Shanghai
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1350	Comdr. Luppe	Tsingtau
Tsingtau	German river gunboat	223	4	1300	Capt. Lieut. Graf Dohna-Schlodien	Canton River
Vaterland	German river gunboat	223	4	500	Capt. Lieut. Kautter	Shanghai
Calabria	Italian cruiser	2145	—	—	Capt. Casanova	Shanghai
Macao	Portuguese gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Matta d'Oliveira	Macao
Patrizia	Portuguese gunboat	700	—	—	Captain Carvalho Brandes	Hongkong
Republica	Portuguese cruiser	—	—	—	Capt. Cunha Lima	—
Alder	U. S. submarine	—	—	—	Ensign J. M. Murray	Cavite
Albany	U. S. protected cruiser	3430	17	7900	Lieut. Clarence S. Williams	Cavite
Bainbridge	U. S. torpedo-boat-destroyer	420	7	8000	Ensign E. S. Root	Manila
Barry	U. S. torpedo-boat-destroyer	420	7	8000	Ensign Robt. W. Cabaniss	Manila
Cairo	U. S. gunboat	243	8	250	Ensign Stuart W. Calk	Manila
Chauncey	U. S. torpedo-boat-destroyer	420	7	8000	Ensign L. N. McNair	Manila
Chatham	U. S. protected cruiser	3100	10	4700	Comdr. John D. McDonald	Amoy
Cleveland	U. S. protected cruiser	3100	10	4700	Comdr. Hugh Rodman	Cavite
Dale	U. S. torpedo-boat-destroyer	420	7	8000	Ensign F. J. Fletcher	Cavite
Decatur	U. S. torpedo-boat-destroyer	420	9	—	Ensign G. S. Graves	Cavite
El Cano	U. S. gunboat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. William D. Brotherton	Cavite
Helena	U. S. gunboat	1397	18	1800	Comdr. R. O. Bitler	Yangtze River
Jairo	U. S. gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. J. W. Schoenfeld	Cavite
Mindoro	U. S. gunboat	170	5	—	Lieut. C. A. Woodruff	—
Macon	U. S. submarine	—	—	—	Ensign E. D. Whorter	Cavite
Mohican	U. S. station ship	1900	—	5244	Ensign Robt. V. Lowe	Cavite
Monterey	U. S. monitor	4084	4	3200	Commander H. A. Bingham	Cavite
New Orleans	U. S. cruiser	3430	25	—	Comdr. William G. Miller	Manila
New York	U. S. protected cruiser	3150	25	17,075	Comdr. Joseph L. Jayne	Cavite
Paraguay	U. S. gunboat	2169	8	—	Lieut. George C. Pegram	—
Porpoise	U. S. submarine	—	—	—	Ensign J. C. Van de Carr	Cavite
Rainbow	U. S. cruiser	6206	14	—	Comdr. Charles M. Fabe	Cavite
Semir	U. S. gunboat	24*	8	250	Ensign N. H. Goss	Yangtze River
Shark	U. S. submarine	—	—	—	Ensign Henry M. Jensen	Cavite
Villalobos	U. S. gunboat	370	9	600	Ensign R. C. Smith	Yangtze River
Wilmington	U. S. gunboat	1307	20	1894	Comdr. W. A. Edgar	Hongkong

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The City Hall is a monument to the liberality of the great trading firms of the Colony past and present, and in its time has done excellent service. But who is there living in the Colony to-day but will acknowledge that it no longer serves the needs of the community. The theatre is draughty, miserably furnished and inadequately provided with even the commonest necessities, while its acoustic properties are shocking. The upper halls used for dancing and concerts no longer suffice for the ever-increasing demands of a growing community. Besides the condition of the fabric after all these years in such a climate as that of Hongkong must be a cause of considerable uneasiness to those who wish to use the place for the purpose of a big assembly. The Government is not in a position to-day to build a theatre, neither do we think there is much prospect of a public company being started for such a purpose. The returns on capital expended on such a project in the Far East are all too problematical to attract investment. Altogether then, taking these things into consideration, we are greatly inclined to support the suggestion that the Corporation Committee should approach the trustees of the City Hall to discover by what means the Colony could, with their cooperation, be put into possession of an up-to-date theatre and assembly rooms. The trustees might either be bought out, or if for sentimental reasons the big firms interested decline that proposition, then perhaps they could be induced to allow the public to cooperate with them in a suitable scheme. We see no reason why such a project could not be realised, for the site of the City Hall was originally practically a free gift from the Crown. The trustees do their best for the benefit of the community under the existing circumstances, but at present we believe the place hardly pays the cost of upkeep and therefore no funds are forthcoming for improvements. All the more reason therefore, if the public are willing to put up the money and shoulder the responsibility, that advantage should be taken of the present opportunity. At any rate the suggestion is worthy of consideration, and knowing what we do of the fine public spirit of such a firm as Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., who are now through the chances and accidents of time, the principal parties concerned, we believe—any such project, as we have sketched above would, we are sure, receive courteous and considerate treatment at their hands.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

The population of India was found by the recent census to be 315,000,000.

A Fong, the well-known photographer, has sent us a couple of excellent photographs of the presentation of the King's medal to Chief Detective Inspector Hanson.

We have received a copy of the list of light-houses, light-vessels, buoys and beacons on the coast and rivers of China. It is issued by the Imperial Maritime Customs, and includes numerous coloured plans.

Prior to sailing for Australia to collect funds, Mr. W. A. Redmond stated that the Irish party had already approved of the lines of the Government's "Home Rule" Bill and every confidence in Mr. Asquith and his colleagues.

Coronation Day, June 22, will be a general bank holiday at home. The day of royal progress, June 23, will be a bank holiday in London only. The Prince Consort will represent Queen Wilhelmina at the Coronation. The Prince Consort will head a special mission.

The Eastern Extension, Australasia, and China Telegraph Company, Ltd., and Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Company, Ltd., announce the opening of a wireless telegraph station at Keelung-Cooa Island for the transmission of telegrams to and from ships at sea. These islands, which are already connected by submarine cables, are now in a position to maintain communication with the Australian liners up to a radius of 200 to 250 nautical miles.

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## NEWS OF THE DAY.

To-day's quotation for Para-rubber, as per Messrs. Vernon and Smyth is 8s. 11d.

The Rev. A. B. Thornhill, M.A., will preach at the parade service in the Cathedral on Sunday next.

It is settled that Indian troops at the Coronation will encamp at Hamilton Court on the afternoon of 1902.

It is understood that Mr. Lloyd George's next Budget provides for the payment of members of Parliament at the rate of £400 a year.

The s.s. Zafiro from Manila brought 30 European first class passengers, 11 Chinese cabin, 2 Chinese second, 18 Chinese and 2 Filipino deck.

An expedition of eight British officers and 300 men, with machine guns, is moving against a refractory tribe in the Sapet Hills, in the northern territories of the Gold Coast. It is a difficult and rocky country, and the operations are expected to last two months.

The London County Council has given authority for the opening of a cinematograph exhibition on Sunday on condition that a portion of the proceeds be given to the London hospital funds. Several clergymen are protesting against the Council's action.

Judge Hupbert D. Gale, of the Court of First Instance, Manila, has recently passed sentence in some opium smuggling cases, sending the convicted men to gaol for periods ranging from eighteen months to 30 days. The opium was alleged to have been smuggled on a Hongkong steamer.

The P. M. s.s. Manchuria, which was to have sailed to-morrow, has been postponed till noon on Sunday on account of the late arrival of the Empire from Manila. The Empire has about 30 passengers for San Francisco who connect with the Manchuria here.

"In Church Notes we read under 'Cathedral Choir': 'There are vacancies for two more tenors and at least seven sopranos.' We repeat this information in the event of any of our readers desiring to join the Cathedral choir. Applications should be sent to Mr. Denman Fuller, the Cathedral organist."

The R.I.M.S. Dufferin is due to arrive at Hongkong on 11th instant with 120th Baluchistan Infantry and No. 1 Co., H.E.S.B., R.G.A. The vessel will be moored at Kowloon wharf and the disembarkation of the troops will commence as soon as possible after her arrival.

Among the passengers leaving by the Empress of China to-morrow are Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Barrett, Messrs H. D. Sharpe, W. A. Murray, P. Simcock, H. S. Hogge, N. Sutton, H. U. Jeffries, A. W. Grant, H. Skott, J. Johnston, A. W. Walkinshaw, C. P. Weil, W. Ironside, C. Rogers and J. Owen Hughes.

The Daily Express states hundreds of families belonging to the 12,000 miners who are on strike at Mid-Rhonda in Wales, are on the verge of starvation, and women and children often faint in the streets owing to hunger. The colliers are each receiving 10s. a week from the Miners' Federation, but the latter's funds are rapidly dwindling away. The tradesmen are on the verge of ruin, and they refuse to give further credit to the strikers.

A Washington telegram to the Cable News says that Secretary Choussell, a personal attaché of President Diaz, is now en route to Germany. He has with him the personal valuables of President Diaz, with instructions to deposit them in a Berlin bank. The valuables are understood to include jewels, securities, bonds, and many personal relics of the venerable president. Choussell's trip is regarded as the forerunner of President Diaz's abdication and flight from the country.

A serious disturbance has occurred at Lisbon as a result of an attempt to bring a general strike as a protest against the recent shooting of two strikers at Setubal. The tramwaymen refused to join, and the mob attacked the cars. They were charged by the Republican Guards, and there were many arrests, including the Union leaders. Public sympathy is against the strikers. The newspapers did not appear in Lisbon on March 20th owing to a strike of compositors. Thirteen persons were arrested at Lamego on suspicion of inciting an Infantry Regiment against the Republic.

The small British community at Sandakan are laying themselves out to celebrate the Coronation in regal style.

June 10th, Monday.—Turf Club Calcutta sweepstakes 9 p.m.

June 20th, Tuesday.—Sandakan Turf Club Race Meeting. "Ship" companies entertained in Club 9 p.m.

June 21st, Wednesday.—Flower Show 7 a.m.; Picnic to Tuguea 2 p.m.; Football Match.

June 22nd, Thursday.—CORONATION DAY Morning.—Coronation Service 7.30 a.m.; Coronation Parade 8 a.m.; Children's Parade (all nationalities); Chinese Parade. Afternoon.—Children's Sports 4 p.m.; Evening.—Sandakan Club Dance; Fireworks.

June 23rd, Friday.—Water Sports, including; Land Sports, afternoon.

June 24th, Saturday.—Cricket Match; Bachelor's Dance at the Club.

## HONGKONG LADIES' RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

## Annual Meeting.

The 1011 Meeting of the Hongkong Ladies' Rifle Association opened at the range on Wednesday and continues until to-morrow (Saturday) afternoon, when Mrs. Anderson, wife of Major General Anderson, will present the prizes. The attendance at the range so far has been most satisfactory, and the members of the fair sex have shown a surprising proficiency in handling the rifle. The secretarial duties are this year in the hands of Miss M. Lequeiro, who has the assistance of an enthusiastic committee. We hope to print to-morrow the results of the competitions.

## THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY CASE.

## Address by Counsel for the Defence.

Before the Chief Justice Sir Francis Figgott, at the Supreme Court this morning the case was continued in which John Tatum, runner of the King Edward Hotel, sued Frederick Howell, chief bailiff of the Supreme Court, for an account of the receipts and disbursements of the Hongkong Butchery and for such further and other relief as may be just.

Mr. M. W. Slade, K.C., was for plaintiff, instructed by Mr. J. H. Gardiner, and Mr. Eldon Potter defended, instructed by Mr. C. E. H. Beavis.

His Lordship said he did not think the Statute of Limitations applied to that case and the plaintiff was not stopped. The point was a somewhat complicated one and in the event of judgment going against defendant an appeal could be taken on that point.

Mr. Gutteres was again recalled and a point rose in connection with the account for February, 1896.

Mr. Potter said that he could not let it rest that his client was guilty of fraud.

Mr. Slade—I suggest that the cross-examination of Mr. Gutteres be postponed until after we have an opportunity of going into the accounts.

His Lordship (to Mr. Potter)—I must hold that the cross-examination is finished and I must ask you to open your case.

Mr. Potter—Very well, my lord, but I wish to recall Mr. Tatum.

Mr. Potter, in opening the case for the defence, said that it was significant that that case should have been brought after a lapse of fourteen years, or come into court.

He should say, after fourteen years. A part altogether from the question of legal bar by reason of any statute the court was, as a rule, suspicious of a case of that kind which was brought after a long lapse of time and more especially was the court suspicious of such a case when that case, was, as he said, founded on serious allegations of fraud because, although they had been told by his learned friend, Mr. Slade, that case was not founded on fraud he did not think that position was maintainable when one read the plaintiff's pleadings. The case was fraud from beginning to end and it was a case of fraud which he submitted had failed utterly. He submitted that not one jot of the charge of fraud perpetrated by plaintiff had been supported by cogent evidence. Even that morning it had been proved, he thought conclusively, that any representations made by Mr. Howell with regard to the "bad" position of the business, so far from being fraudulent and untrue, was, absolutely true. He did not think his Lordship could have any doubt at all now that at the end of the first four months trading of the Hongkong Butchery there was a heavy loss, and that without taking into account one cent of the money which had been advanced by Mr. Howell. That was proved by the books but if there were no books produced he thought the facts of the case were such as to show that the business could not have been successful at the end of January, 1896, because at that time they had the plaintiff admitting that he negotiated and arranged with Yuen Cheung to take the business over and negotiating and arranging what commission he was to get out of the business. It was absurd to suppose that plaintiff, if the business was really solvent, would have willingly handed it over to a competitor if he could have made infinitely more by keeping it himself. Plaintiff's case as presented was, he did not know whether it was still—that plaintiff had handed the takings to Mr. Howell, that he had entrusted Mr. Howell with the keeping of the accounts. He thought plaintiff's evidence was meant to induce the court to believe that plaintiff had nothing to do with the accounts, and that even if he had wanted he could never have seen the accounts.

He did not know whether that was intended or not but that was the impression left on his mind. Now they had it clear that plaintiff did not mention one word with regard to the cash book or the ledger or any other account books or even to the account book which he kept himself from the 1st February, 1896, and it was clear that the books were kept at the Hongkong Butchery and kept by an accountant paid by the Hongkong Butchery and immediately under the control of

plaintiff himself, and if he had wished he could have seen them every moment of the day. It might be that he was such an ignorant man that he could not understand them, but he (Mr. Potter) must say plaintiff did not display such appalling ignorance when he was in the witness box. But even if that was so it did not justify him in assuming the position which, to say the least of it, was misleading; namely, that he was debarred from seeing the accounts and that he did not know how the business was going on and that he relied solely on Howell's word and that that word was untrue and fraudulent. It would have made the business pay considerably that he had to pay three per cent commission on the business when up to the time he took it over it had been running at a loss. Whether it was not paying him or whether for some other reasons it was now clear that Yuen gave the business up early in January 1897 and he thought it was proved beyond all possible doubt that the business was closed in January 1897, not because of the false and fraudulent representations made by Mr. Howell, but because Yuen Cheung would not carry it on any longer. As a matter of fact it was admitted by plaintiff and he was forced to admit it. As he had submitted at the beginning of the case if the business was closed on January 4, as plaintiff said it was, and if plaintiff owed Mr. Howell the sum of \$14,000 odd or any sum, then it seemed to him, absolutely irrelevant to that case whether Mr. Howell was interested in the Hongkong Butchery Co. He submitted that it was absolutely immaterial. Plaintiff's case on the pleadings was that his own business was never closed, that it was never sold, that there was not a real sale but that in some way or another it was carried on under the new name of the Hongkong Butchery Co. He submitted that that must fail now because of plaintiff's own admissions so that he failed to see what the Hongkong Butchery Co. had to do with that case and that on the closing of the Butchery Co. there was a debit balance against him. However he had chosen to say that Mr. Howell was the Hongkong Butchery Co. and if it was really plaintiff's own business he asks for an account. Plaintiff did not say whether it was the whole account or a portion of it he wanted; no, he said nothing, and if he recovered it must be on the case that it is his sole business and that he was entitled to the profits of the business up to that day. Plaintiff had told them with a serious face at any rate he did not know whether he was serious in his inmost conscience, that Messrs. Howell and Watkins was going to carry on the business for him and on his behalf. He expected that Mr. Howell would continue to finance the business and that he could travel to America or to any other part of the world and come back after any lapse of time and again walk into his own. He did not give any reason why he expected Mr. Howell or Mr. Watkins to do that but that was the position he adopted. It was not a reasonable position for a plaintiff to adopt. He would satisfy his Lordship that as a matter of fact Mr. Howell had nothing to do with the Hongkong Butchery Co., and never had a share in it and that it was untrue as was alleged that the sale of the business was a pretended one and that in fact defendant retained for himself the whole or a large share of the business. He did not wish to weary his Lordship but Mr. Howell was a government servant and it was a serious matter when a man came into court and alleged a gross case of fraud against him. His Lordship must have been struck with the light-hearted way in which the fraud was alleged. Plaintiff seemed to imagine that because he was prepared to say, "Oh, I think I have been defrauded," that it was proved. There was no proof before his Lordship not only of fraudulent act or of any act which was not transparently honest. Every allegation of fraud broke down utterly when plaintiff was submitted to cross-examination. He would call Mr. Howell and a number of other witnesses who would satisfy his Lordship that the claim was wholly unfounded—and he submitted that his Lordship would be satisfied with defendant's story which entitled defendant to judgment. Defendant was then called and the case was adjourned.

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ANGLO-JAPANESE COMMERCIAL TREATY.

## CONTENTS OF THE MEASURE.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)  
Tokyo, April 7.

The text of the Anglo-Japanese commercial treaty was published yesterday. Among the articles provision is made for the following cases:—Cotton textiles (dannels and figured fabrics excluded), woollen cloths (mousseline velvet excluded), pig iron, tin, electro-plated ware, paints, etc.—It is agreed in this treaty that England shall continue her existing free customs on habutai silk and nine other Japanese articles.

Both parties are free to notify their intentions to amend the treaty, if so desired, after it has been in operation for one year but not until and after due notification has passed between them of the proposed amendment and if either party are unwilling to sign the notes they are free to abandon the treaty.

## EFFECT OF REDUCED DUTIES.

## Some Lines Wiped Out.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
London, April 7.

London exporters interviewed on the subject of the newly concluded Anglo-Japanese commercial treaty, while admitting that the reduced Japanese duties are much better than the general tariff provided, say that it will have no effect on the lower classes of cotton textiles and woollen goods, which will still be most seriously affected. In regard to some classes of these goods it is probable that not another piece will be shipped after the 17th of July. The thicker qualities of sheet iron are badly hit while the galvanized iron trade will very likely be killed.

## THE TROUBLE IN ARABIA

## RELIEF OF SANAA.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
London, April 7.

Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople telegraphs that the Turkish relief force has entered Sanaa, which has been closely besieged by the Bedouins since the 17th of January.

## THE RECIPROCITY BILL.

## PRESIDENT TAFT URGES EARLY ACTION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
London, April 6.

President Taft in a message to Congress urges early action in regard to the Reciprocity Bill.

The President states that while the subject was under discussion he became convinced that the people of the United States would welcome the measure, and the expectation has been fully confirmed.

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## COMPANY MEETING.

## Torangio Rubber Co., Ltd.

Sir Horatio Moly presented at the annual meeting of shareholders of the above Company yesterday afternoon. Those also present were—Messrs. A. Denison and H. Pinckney (directors), Mr. M. Reader Harris (secretary), Commander C. W. Beckwith, Dr. C. Forsyth, Messrs. H. Perry Smith, P. Lumsden, M. W. Shado, A. L. Stein, S. G. Newall, A. H. House and A. S. Howell.

The notice convening the meeting having been read by the Secretary.

The Chairman moved the adoption of the directors' report and the accounts. He said the balance sheet was dated the 31st of February, and the report was drawn up on advice received from Sumatra to that date. On the 1st March a call of 5/- was made and the shares are now 12/6 paid up. Referring to the advances to Chinese and Indians and brokers' commission he said the advances to Chinese were advances to Chinese contractors and builders as well as to coolies. The advances to Indians were to Javanese and Klings. The brokers' commission was paid to brokers for procuring contract labour, chiefly Javanese. As they all knew, the cost of securing indentured labour was heavy, and the commission paid in Sumatra for Javanese coolies was 75 to 100 guineas per cooler. The contracts are for three years and the

man and 104 guineas for the women per month. This was cheap compared to the wages paid on many rubber estates elsewhere. The commission would be written off year by year to the various crops on which the coolies were employed. The programme for 1911 was decided upon after consultation with their Sumatra friends, but it might be that some shareholders present consider they were taking an excessive risk in planting up 200 fields of tobacco. By the end of June they would know what sort of a crop they had on the 100 fields now planted, and they could then decide whether to plant next year 100, 150 or up to 200 fields. The latest news from the estate was that rubber had been planted through 100 acres of tobacco land. At the end of February there were 553 coolies on the estate, of which 434 were Javanese under three years' contract. They had 8,048 acres of good land in a central district, for which they paid about £2 an acre, 10/- in cash and 10/- in shares. The area of land suitable for rubber was larger than they anticipated and more than they could make use of with the capital at their disposal. He was very pleased to tell them that they had just received by the German Mail that day the following advice, dated Sumatra, 27th March:—"Planting operations for the tobacco crop 1911 are finished. At present everything points to a good crop; the rains have come just at the right time. Plucking of the leaves just commenced."

Mr. Shado, in seconding, said of their 8,000 odd acres; practically all was, in the opinion of their local advisers, well suited to rubber, and about 500 appear suitable for tobacco. He believed that there was no unoccupied, unprepared agricultural land in the world which in its wild state commanded a higher price than Sumatra tobacco land when—and this was the important point—it had been proved by actual cultivation of portions and by sale of the produce to be capable of bearing high-class tobacco. If at the Amsterdam sales next spring, Torangio tobacco fetched prices anywhere near those obtained by their neighbours this year, the value of the Torangio estate was no longer based merely on the estimates of experts, but as to their tobacco, said would have been proved by the touchstone of the market. The speaker held a substantial number of shares and had far more money at stake in the Company than he cared to see impelled, and he heard the opinion freely expressed that tobacco planting was a most risky operation he sought for accurate information. He had satisfied himself that their funds were not being risked in "unduly hazardous speculation. It cost him told not more than 1 guinea a lb. to put tobacco on the market. A field equalled 1.4 acres, that was, 100 fields equalled 140 acres. An average crop from a field was about 10 piculs, say, 1,300 lbs. Therefore 100 fields would produce 130,000 lbs. It would cost to put this amount on the market at the outside £120,000—£10,830. Say they sold for an average price of G.1.40, their clear profit would be £2,220—about £4,330, and there were possibilities, judging from the prices paid for tobacco from the neighbouring estates, of larger returns than this. It was unlikely that the price of Sumatra tobacco would materially fall, because the area under tobacco had been decreased by the planting of rubber on tobacco lands and the area suitable for tobacco was strictly limited. Their total working capital with all calls paid was about £49,000. This amount was obviously insufficient to fully develop the whole of their estate. They therefore wanted more money to put into their property. This could be obtained in two ways or by a combination of the two. 1. By securing more shares. 2. By applying to the directors for a loan. They were essentially a rubber company, and he hoped the majority of them were willing to wait for a return on their investments until their rubber began to pay. If their tobacco paid the original shareholders would be in a doubly strong position. Their estate would have been improved beyond the amount they had put into it, and they

would be in a position to raise further capital, if they decided to do so, on very favourable terms. Then even if the price of rubber fell below the generally-accepted minimum of 1/8 a lb., they would still confidently expect very substantial dividends.

No questions were asked, and the report and accounts were adopted.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. House, Mr. A. Denison was re-elected to the Directorate.

The only other business was a proposal from the chair that a member of the staff of the Company's bankers, to be nominated by the manager, be and is hereby appointed Auditor for the ensuing year, a remuneration of 200 guineas. This was seconded by Mr. Perry Smith and agreed to.

## A FURNITURE DISPUTE.

In the case of Mrs. G. Monti against Cheong Lee and Co., for \$998.90, which came before Mr. Justice Hazeland at the Supreme Court this morning, Mr. E. Hind asked for particulars.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing, for plaintiff, said that the writ set out all the particulars they could give.

Mr. Hind—My clients say those goods were hired, or if not hired they were to be paid for on the instalment plan. There is a lot of money owing and plaintiff said she would take these goods back and settle the account.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing—That is the question your Lordship has to try.

His Lordship—It will only take a few minutes.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing—If I will take more time.

The case was fixed for the 18th.

## A QUESTION OF COSTS.

Mr. M. J. D. Stephens appeared for the Robinson Piano Co., at the Supreme Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Hazeland, in the case in which they sued J. C. Logan for \$184.85.

Mr. Les D'Almeida Castro appeared for defendant.

Mr. Stephens asked that the case be adjourned but that he be awarded costs for his attendance that day. He did not know that a receiving order had been made against defendant.

Mr. D'Almeida—My friend can have liberty to apply.

His Lordship—What about Mr. Stephens' costs?

Mr. Stephens—Perhaps I could get them without the order?

Mr. D'Almeida—There is a defence to the action on certain points.

His Lordship—I shall adjourn it sine die.

Mr. Stephens—I think I should not have been brought here today.

His Lordship—The idea is that defendant has no money.

Mr. Stephens—I understand the debts will be paid in full.

Mr. D'Almeida—What the Official Receiver told the court yesterday was that in all probability they would be paid in full. There are a lot of debts amongst the shipping and if they are not paid up the debts will not be paid in full.

His Lordship—What about Mr. Stephens' costs?

Mr. Stephens—He is not entitled to costs until he gets judgment.

Mr. Stephens—Then I will ask for judgment.

His Lordship—I think the bankruptcy practice that the proceedings are stayed.

Mr. D'Almeida—How can my friend get costs unless he has obtained judgment?

His Lordship—I will find out about that.

Mr. D'Almeida—Your Lordship will notice that my friend has not got judgment and until he gets judgment he cannot get costs.

His Lordship—Oh, yes.

The case was adjourned sine die.

## A LONG CAUSE CASE.

The case in which Yung Hui Shui sued Xung Sui Chi to recover \$800.00, was mentioned at the Supreme Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Hazeland.

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley appeared for plaintiff and Mr. D. V. Stevenson for defendant.

Mr. Bowley—I don't think there is any defence to this action.

Mr. Stevenson—There is a very good defence.

Mr. Bowley—Defendant admits owing the money.

His Lordship—It will go in the remand list.

Mr. Bowley—I think the case should come on for trial.

His Lordship—The practice is that when a solicitor sends a case should go on the remand list he put it on.

Mr. Bowley—Not if only one solicitor does it.

His Lordship—That is the practice instituted by Mr. Justice Compton and I am not disposed to alter it.

Mr. Hind—If this case is going to occupy a whole day I think those already on the remand list should have preference.

Mr. Goldring—Certainly, my lord, I support that.

Mr. Bowley—I submit this is a short case.

His Lordship—If Mr. Stevenson will admit it is a short case.

Mr. Stevenson—I can't admit that.

The case was put on the remand list.

## DANGER AVOIDED.

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## SPORTING.

## Cricket.

The following will play for Hongkong "A" against the "Craigover" C. C. to-morrow afternoon on the former's ground, commencing at 2.00 p.m.:—Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. H. Hancock, Mr. R. Hancock, Mr. G. Hastings, Mr. A. R. Lowe, Mr. S. W. Payne, Mr. A. P. Dashiwood, Mr. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Mr. H. R. Makin, Mr. A. C. Loth and Mr. A. Mackenzie.

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## LEAGUE TABLE.

The following is the League table up to date:—

Club.	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Per-centage.
R.E. & Depts.	16	12	4	0	75.
Hongkong "A"	15	10	5	0	66.66.
Craigover	15	8	7	0	53.33.
R.G.A.	13	6	7	0	46.15.
Kowloon	13	6	7	0	46.15.
Yorks	13	6	7	0	46.15.
Civil Service	11	4	7	0	36.36.
Romants	14	6	8	0	33.71.
Police	15	2	12	1	13.33.

## Football.

ENGLISH LEAGUE MATCHES.

London, March 20.

In the Second Division of the League, Chelsea beat Wolverhampton.

At home to Bolton by 3 goals to 1. Chelsea defeated Huddersfield, 3-0. Chelsea by 2 goals to nil.

## Lawn Tennis.

HONGKONG C.C. TOURNAMENT.

Further results in the above tournament are given below:—

CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.

First Round—R. F. C. Hodgland beat E. A. S. Fowler 6/1, 6/4, 6/1.

"A" CLASS SINGLES.

Second Round—R. J. Saunders (owns 30) beat W. G. Warrister (owns 3/6) 8/6, 6/1.

"B" CLASS SINGLES.

Third Round—Dr. Aubrey and A. C. E. Elborough (owns 15) beat C. Willson and R. Hallifax (owns 30) 6/3, 3/6, 6/1.

"C" CLASS SINGLES.

Fourth Round—A. P. H. Roquette and G. A. Cooke, R.N. (owns 15) beat Lieut. Reginald and Lieut. Thompson (owns 30) 6/1, 6/4.

MONDAY'S TENNIS.

The ground being engaged for cricket there will be no matches played on Saturday, but the following are down for decision on Monday:—L. E. Breton and C. C. Hickling v. G. A. Hastings and Lieut. Day ("A" Class Doubles, second round); S. E. Green v. E. A. S. Fowler ("A" Class Singles, second round); A. P. H. Roquette v. W. H. Yireach ("B" Class Singles, third round).

The annual Lawn Tennis Tournament in connection with the C.C.C. commences next week for which entries close on Saturday the 8th April.

## Yachting.

C.Y.C. CUPPING RACE.

The closing cruise in connection with the Corinthian Yacht Club taken place on Sunday next, the first race commencing at 10 a.m. The programme is as follows:—

1.—BELLIOS CUP—Open to Heyward. Hays design boats only.

2.—WARREN MEMORIAL CUP—Open to Gial Class only.

3.—CAN CUP—Winner of above 2 Races on Handicap times wins this Cup.

4.—MOTOR BOAT RACE—Open to Visitors or Non-boat owning Members only.

5.—LADIES HASTING OARS RACE.

6.—LADIES HEYWARD HAYS RACE.

7.—LADIES GIAL CLASS RACE.

8.—LADIES MOTOR BOAT RACE.

9.—HANDICAP, HEYWARD-HAYS, GIAL CLASS.—Visitors or non-boat owning members only. 1st best of each Class wins a prize.

10.—LADIES MOTOR BOAT RACE.

Mrs. Francis Clark has kindly consented to present the prizes at the close of the Meeting.

The cup winners for the season, 1910-11, are:—

Four Ton Class Championship—1st "Mist" (Jas. H. Taggart); 2nd, "Erin" (Capt. Pennefather). The "Mist" wins the "Marzetti" Championship Cup.

Absentee Prize—"Erin" (Capt. Pennefather).

Mist Cup—"Erin" (G. G. Wood).

Brynhild Cup—"Erin" (G. G. Wood).

Avery Cup—"Mist" (Jas. H. Taggart).

Fry Cup—"Mist" (Jas. H. Taggart).

Handicap Class Championship—1st "Corinnce" (H. Combs, J. Mackay).

Heyward Hays Championship—1st "Liza" (D. Nelson); 2nd, "Sirius" (A. A. H. Milroy); 3rd, "White Star" (D. Gwy).

Gael Class Championship—1st, "Do-rothy" (J. Forbes); 2nd, "Thecla" (J. Glyn, J. McCubbin); 3rd, "Athore" (A. Rodgers).

Comm-Jockey Cup—"Athore" (A. Rodgers).

Vico-Commodore's Cup—"Thecla" (J. Glyn, J. McCubbin).

Morgan Price—"Corinnce" (H. Combs, J. Mackay).

Kiln Cup—"Thecla" (J. Glyn, J. McCubbin).

Lino Crawford's Prize—"Sirius" (A. A. H. Milroy).

Crossers Championship—1st, "Mist" (Jas. H. Taggart); 2nd, "La Cligle" (A. Buns).

Motor Boats Championship—1st, "Sorya" (2nd, "Hermes").

Sorya Cup—"Britannia".

## INTERPORT POLO.

## Manila's Brilliant Victory.

The return match in the interport polo tournament between Hongkong and Manila was contested on Thursday evening at Causway Bay and as on the former occasion there was a large attendance including Her Excellency Lady Lugard, Captain Shison, Private Secretary, and party.

Manila again proved themselves capable exponents of the art of polo and completely defeated Hongkong by seven goals to three. From the first it was seen that neither side was taking any chances and the game started off in a rattling pace. The Manila men, although at times were riding equally as fast as the home team, rode more carefully while Hongkong seemed to display a recklessness which by no means assisted them in hitting the ball. The number of misses was remarkable and had Hongkong ridden a little more carefully their defeat would undoubtedly not have been so complete. At it was the Americans were able to pull up quicker and were smarter at turning. Johnstone, for Hongkong, went back consequently very little of the brilliant polo exhibited by him on Tuesday was witnessed. Briefly, while having a little trouble with his pony was unable to get in much effective work and on the whole Hongkong were completely outclassed.

The teams were:—

Hongkong—Captain Lamb, Captain Hughes, Captain Driver and Captain

Manila—Captain Mitchell, Lieut. Margot, Mr. E. Bowditch, and Mr. P. Macdonell.

Captain Agg acted as umpire, Lieut. Sullivan and Bradley as goal judges, and Mr. Aston as timekeeper.

Manila adopted the aggressive attitude at the commencement of the first chukka and early placed the home team in an ominous position as regards their goal but Johnstone effectively stopped the onrush.

A foul was given against Hongkong and another try was attempted by the visitors but they made no headway, Hongkong having got possession of the ball. The first chukka ended without any score being registered.

In the subsequent encounter the Americans again led their opponents at a fast rate and for the greater part of the chukka Hongkong did not cross the half-way line out of their own territory. Brierley had some trouble with his stand which necessitated his obtaining another one. Hongkong heavily endeavored to prevent Manila penetrating their defence but the pressure was too great and Macdonell secured the first point of the game for the Americans. Once again the visitors bore down on the home team and a fine shot was missed by no less than three Hongkong men. No alteration of the score had taken place at the conclusion of the chukka.

With fresh ponies the third chukka was also as fast as ever and although it looked as if Hongkong would equalize matters they were unable to do so and very soon afterwards Mitchell got in a good shot and gave Manila the advantage of another goal.

Mitchell was prominent again the following encounter but his efforts were frustrated by Johnstone but Manila was not to be outdone and Bowditch increased the margin for the visitors. As two further goals were added by Margot, Hongkong's chance looked hopeless, the latter, up to that time, not having registered a single point.

Riding hard Brierley put through the home team's first goal in the next chukka and a little later Margot again scored for Manila which made a total of seven points for Manila against one for Hongkong.

In the last chukka Hughes put through two goals for Hongkong and at the conclusion of hostilities Manila were leading by seven goals to three.

The ground was in excellent condition while the weather was all that could be desired. The band of the R.O.Y.L. were in attendance during the evening and gave a number of selections.

## Polo in America.

THE AMERICA CUP.

COMPOSITION OF THE BRITISH TEAM.

London, March 19.

The arrangements with regard to the British polo team which is to contest the America Cup are now finally settled. Captain Hardress Lloyd and H. Wilson will sail on the 4th April and Captains Barrett and Cheape and Lieutenants N. Edwards and Palmer on the 15th April. The team thus secures five weeks' practice before the first Test Match takes place. The members of the team are taking thirty-five ponies. The ponies sail on the 22nd instant.

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